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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a 3 month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed January 31, 2001 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before July 31, 2001. A check in the amount of \$445.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 17810-705 (CTI-N5 DIV12).

Respectfully submitted,

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